Antrim Community Board   DRAFT Minutes, August 23, 2023

Members Present: Gordon Allen, Chair; Rose Novotny, Secretary; Jennifer Adams, Lesley Moenter
Alternates Present: Jenine Rubin, Katelyn Goodington – appointed.
Members of Public: Mark Murdough

Handouts and Emailed Documents: Agenda (Allen), July 26 Minutes (Novotny), Donna Hanson’s Report to ACB (Allen)

1. Call to Order: 5:35pm. Quorum present.
2. No Agenda changes. Member check-ins.
4. Review of May 13th Open House Bingo Event: Discussion on what went well and what to do differently. Asking businesses to participate next year was agreed upon by all. The event will continue to be held in May. Kudos to Katelyn and all the volunteers that made it happen.
5. Updates and next steps on projects and tasks:
   1. Select Board Liaison update. Group reviewed report from Donna. Discussion on ACB participation in CIP Committee. Gordon will put ideas out to Swap Shop volunteer group. Discussion on town benches. Rose will follow up with Diane for more details.
   2. Swap Shop water issues. Helene checked on the building being in the recommendations on the Stewardship Report. It is not. Opportunity for Swap Shop to be part of CIP Committee.
   3. Antrim Players Restart project. The workshops have been well attended. 15 people participated in the lights workshop and 16 participated in the set workshop. Plans for a reading in the fall and perhaps a show around Christmas time. Kim Proctor is assisting with the costume room. Discussion on the Players doing something during Home & Harvest and a historic play (as they did in 1977) for the Town’s planned celebration of its 250th birthday in 2027.
   4. Welcome Team project. Leslie reported on a new delivery last week and getting three more names this week. Other newcomers have been discovered through the Antrim/Bennington Facebook page as well. Storage for giveaways has been addressed with totes to be stored downstairs at the Town Hall in a place selected by Monica. Lesley will continue to have a handful of bags already made up at her home for ease of delivery.
   5. Antrim Map Project. Tabled.
   6. Better Ways to Communicate Town Events project. Jennifer reported her findings on the digital sign. The cost may be too high. Further discussion on a sandwich board to display to traffic coming and going to the Swap Shop. Getting things like flyers for events sent home by the schools was discussed. Lead time needed for approval by the district. Rose proposed an ongoing Agenda item at ACB meetings each month for school “Flyers of Interest” and/or “Antrim Announcements” submissions. Members can report on known upcoming events. This will help get the word out. Other ideas included someone to manage the town website and socials presence. Both Peterborough and Keene newspapers are looking for local correspondents.
   7. Ways to support Home & Harvest: Mark reported providing ACB member emails to the H & H Committee for communications on upcoming meetings. Volunteers are needed for the Nerf & Turf event on Friday night from 5:30-9:30pm. Mark will send out duty list for ACB members to review and to distribute to the volunteer list.
   8. Inviting town officials to a joint meeting: Tabled.

Jennifer made a motion to adjourn. Rose seconded. Meeting adjourned 7:17pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Rose Novotny, Secretary